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REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a five month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed November 6, 2003 for the above referenced patent application. A grant of this request will reset the due date from January 6, 2004 until June 6, 2004. The requisite government fee for a five month extension of time for a

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Respectfully submitted,

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